

## Esra Sarioğlu

### EDUCATION

- 2013 Ph. D. Sociology, State University of New York at Binghamton, NY.  
2004 M.A. Modern Turkish History, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul.  
2002 B.S. Philosophy, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul.

### ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- 2019- Research Fellow, The Center for the History of Emotions, Max Planck Institute for Human Development, Berlin.  
2016 - 2019 Assistant Professor, Gender Studies Division, the Department of Political Science and Public Administration, Ankara University, Ankara.  
2015 - 2016 Assistant Professor of Sociology, Yeditepe University, Istanbul.  
2013 - 2015 Part-Time Faculty, Department of Sociology, Yeditepe University, Istanbul.  
2002 - 2005 Graduate Assistant, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul.

### AREAS OF INTEREST

Affect/Emotion Studies, Antiracist and Feminist Phenomenological Scholarship on the Body; Violence against Women and the Right-Wing Populism in the Global South; Lyrical Sociology; Labor, Gender, and Globalization; Urban Ethnography, Precarity and Vulnerability in the Global Era; Work, Welfare State, and Neoliberalism; World-Systems Theory; Feminist Theory.

### BOOKS

- 2022 Sarioğlu, Esra. *The Body Unburdened: Violence, Emotions, and the New Woman in Turkey*. Oxford University Press.

- 2023 Best Book Award, American Sociological Association Section on the Body and Embodiment.

### PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- 2021 Sarioğlu, Esra. "Faces of Shame in Contemporary Turkey: Women Feeling the Hierarchies of Class and Gender at Work." *L'Homme. European Journal of Feminist History*, 32 (2): 97-110.
- 2018 Sarioğlu, Esra. "The Aesthetics of Minor Intimacy: Precarious Attachments and Queer Feelings in the Autobiographical Fiction of J.M. Coetzee." *Safundi: The Journal of South African and American Studies*, 19(4): 461-481.
- 2018 Sarioğlu, Esra. "Vigilante Violence against Women in Turkey: A Sociological Analysis." *Kadin/Woman 2000*, 19(2): 51-68.
- 2016 Sarioğlu, Esra. "New Imaginaries of Gender in Turkey's Service Economy: Women

- Workers and Identity Making on the Sales Floor.” *Women's Studies International Forum*, 54: 39-47.
- 2014 Sarioğlu, Esra. “A Sociological Inquiry on Women’s Well-Being and Waged-Work.” *Ankara Üniversitesi SBF Dergisi*, 69(3): 567-592.
- 2014 Sarioğlu, Esra. “Finding the Modern Women Workers in Global Era: Hiring and Training Practices in the Corporate Retail Sector in Turkey.” *Fe Journal: Feminist Critique*, 6(1): 43-53.
- 2013 Sarioğlu, Esra. “Gendering the Organization of Home-Based Work in Turkey: Classical versus Familial Patriarchy.” *Gender, Work & Organization*, 20(5): 479-497.

### BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2021 Sarioğlu, Esra “Misogynist Body Politics under the AKP Rule in Contemporary Turkey.” In Dayi, Ayse, Hilal Alkan, Sezin Topcu and Betül Yazar (eds.), *The Politics of the Female Body in Contemporary Turkey: Reproduction, Maternity, Sexuality*. London: Bloomsbury.
- 2021 Sarioğlu, Esra “Gender Inequality and Emotions: Hostility against Women in Contemporary Turkey.” In Weber, Ulla (ed.), *Fundamental Questions: Gender Dimensions in Max Planck Research Projects*. Baden-Baden: Nomos Verlagsgesellschaft mbH & Co. KG.
- 2018 Sarioğlu, Esra “From Sister to Co-Worker: New Patterns of Feminization of Labor in Turkey’s Service Economy.” In Beth English, Mary Frederickson, and Olga Sanmiguel-Valderrama (eds.), *Global Women's Work in Transition*, London: Palgrave.
- 2011 Sarioğlu, Esra. “Entelektüellik, Sosyolojik Tahayyül ve Erkeklik.” (Intellectuals, Sociological Imagination, and Masculinity) in Ünlü, Barış and Ozan Değer (eds.), *İsmail Beşikçi*, İstanbul: İletişim, 2011.

### OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2019 Sarioğlu, Esra. “Feminizm ve Duygular.” (Feminism and Emotions). *Ayrıntı Dergi*, 30.
- 2015 Sarioğlu, Esra. “Aşk Liberal bir Sözleşme mi?” (Is Love a Liberal Contract?). *Birikim*.
- 2011 Sarioğlu, Esra. “The Majority: Men’s Rites of Passage in Turkey.” *Jura Gentium Cinema: Special Dossier: Politics and Cinema of Turkey: 1990- 2010*. (Online Journal).
- 2007 Sarioğlu, Esra and Utku B. Balaban “Home-Based Workers in Istanbul: Varieties of Organization and Patriarchy.” Social Policy Forum, Boğaziçi University, İstanbul.
- 2004 Sarioğlu, Esra. “March 12, 1971 Military Intervention: Female Political Prisoners in Turkey.” *The Graduate Journal of Historical Studies*, 2, 2004, 19-31.

**IN PROGRESS**

Sarioğlu, Esra, Rukmini Barua, Ute Frevert, Stephanie Lämmert, Lynn M. Thomas, Valerie Walkerdine, and Julia Wambach. “Intellectual Journeys towards Emotions: A Conversation among Feminist Scholars.” under review at *Past & Present*.

Sarioğlu, Esra. “Küreselleşme, Toplumsal Değişim ve Kadınlar: Bedensel Feminist bir Perspektif.” (Globalization, Social Change, and Women: Perspectives from Corporeal Feminism). In Orhan, Gözde Orhan, Melih Yeşilbağ, and Fırat Genç (eds.) *Çağlar Keyder’e Armağan*. (A Tribute to Çağlar Keyder). Istanbul: İletişim, 2023.

Sarioğlu, Esra. “Büyük Dönüşüm: Kadınlar için Güçlenme ve Kırılganlaşmanın Eşzamanlılığı mı?.” (Great Transformation: Simultaneity of Empowerment and Vulnerability for Women?) In Ünlü, Barış et al., (eds.), *Büyük Dönüşüm: Türkiye*. (Great Transformation: Turkey). Ankara: Dipnot, 2023.

Sarioğlu, Esra. “An Account of Embodied Life in Global Era: Emotions and Gender in Turkey.” In Preparation for Submission to *Emotions and Society*.

**EDITORIAL WORK**

Guest Editor, Special Issue: Trespassing Gender. *Trespassing Journal: An Online Journal of Trespassing Art, Science, and Philosophy* 5 (Fall 2015).

**DISTINCTIONS, GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2017- 2019 Senior Fellowship, Max Planck Institute for Human Development, the Center for the History of Emotions, Berlin
- 2016 Visiting Fellow, Cornell University, School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Ithaca, NY. (Fall Semester)
- 2012 Dissertation Year Fellowship, Department of Sociology, State University of New York at Binghamton. (Fall Semester)
- 2010 Dissertation Fieldwork Research Award, Middle East Research Competition funded by Ford Foundation, Tunis.
- 2008 - 2009 Tuition Scholarship, International Student and Scholar Services, State University of New York at Binghamton.
- 2006 Research Grant, Social Policy Forum, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, for project titled “Home-Based Workers in Istanbul (with Utku B. Balaban).
- 2005 - 2008 Tuition Scholarship, Department of Sociology, State University of New York at Binghamton.
- 2002 The First Rank in the Graduating Class, Department of Philosophy, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul
- 1997- 2002 High Achievement Scholarship, Boğaziçi University Foundation, Istanbul.

**INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

“The Body Unburdened: Violence, Emotions, and the New Woman in Turkey.” Colloquia, 100 Years of the Republic of Turkey: New Trends in Research on Turkey, Albert-Ludwigs-Universität, Freiburg, May 2023.

“Rethinking Agency in Times of Crisis.” Keynote Speech: Cultures of Hope, Despair and Resilience, Graduate Students Conference, Cultural Studies, Gender Studies, Sabanci University, Istanbul, May 2023.

“Making Sense of Shame: A Feminist Intersectional Approach.”

- Colloquia, Department of Sociology, Yeditepe University, Istanbul, March 2022. (Online)
- Lecture, Artburst Berlin Exhibition on Shame, Berlin, September 2021.

“Misogynist Body Politics under the AKP Rule in Contemporary Turkey.” Book Presentation, Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient, Berlin, October 2021.

“A Phenomenology of the New Woman in Turkey: The Changing Norms of Shame and Embarrassment.” Colloquia, Chair of Modern and Contemporary History, Technische Universität Dresden, Dresden, October 2020.

“Politics of Humiliation: Violence, Gender, and Right-Wing Populism in Contemporary Turkey.” Forschungskolloquium Türkei-Studien, Universität Duisburg-Essen, Essen, April 2018.

“New Women and Gender Politics in Turkey.” The Keyman Program in Modern Turkish Studies, Northwestern University, IL, January 2017.

“Modern Women and Modern Work: Globalization and Service Economy in Turkey.” ILR School, Cornell University, NY, November 2016.

“Feminization of Labor and Immaterial Labor in Turkey.” Global Labor Speaker Series, Global Labor Research Centre, York University, Toronto, Canada, June 2016.

“Slowly but Surely? The Rise of Women Participating in the Labour Force in Turkey.” Social Change Since the Year 2000 Conference, London School of Economics, Contemporary Turkish Studies, London, May 2015.

“Cultural Politics of Aesthetics and Sexuality at Work: Women in Turkey’s Global Economy.” Turkey in Critical Perspectives, Witwatersrand University, Wits Centre for Diversity Studies (WiCDS), Johannesburg, August, 2015.

“Service Work and Gender in Urban Turkey.” Global Women’s Work in Transition Workshop, Princeton University, The Liechtenstein Institute on Self-Determination, Princeton, New Jersey, September 2014.

## **CONFERENCE ACTIVITY**

## **WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED**

Emotions at Work: Intimacies, Labor, and Urban Space in the 20th Century. The Center for the History of Emotions, Max Planck Institute for Human Development, Berlin. October 2019. (co-organized with Rukmini Barua, Stephanie Lämmert, and Julia Wambach)

## **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

“An Account of the Embodied Life in Global Era: Emotions and Gender in Turkey.” 10<sup>th</sup> Midterm Conference of ESA-Research Network 11 Sociology of Emotions, Hamburg, September 2022.

“Globalization and Women’s Labor Force Participation Patterns in Turkey.” Gender and Political Economy in Turkey Workshop, London School of Economics, Contemporary Turkish Studies, London, June 2020. (Online)

“Feelings of the New Woman: Gender, Morality, and Politics in Contemporary Turkey.” Emotions at Work: Intimacies, Labor, and Urban Space in the 20th Century. The Center for the History of Emotions, Max Planck Institute for Human Development, Berlin. October 2019.

“The New Woman and Moral Politics: A Herstory of Women’s Feelings and Agency in Turkey.” History of Experience: Theories, Methodologies, and Concepts, Tampere University, Tampere, March 2019.

“Politics of Humiliation: Body Politics of Right-Wing Populism in Contemporary Turkey.” International Symposium Health, Reproduction & Sexuality: Neoliberal-Authoritarian Modes of Governing the Woman’s Body in Turkey, Bremen University, Bremen, April 2018.

“Minor Intimacies in the Autobiographical Fiction of J.M. Coetzee.” Reading Coetzee’s Women Conference, Monash University, the Centre for Writers and Writing, Prato, September 2016.

“Masculinity and Shame in the Making of Karl Ove Knausgaard’s Auto-Fiction.” International Symposium on Gender and Aesthetics: Art, Film and Literature, Sabanci University, Istanbul, November 2015.

“Global Economy and New Gender Identities: A Study of Saleswomen in Turkey.” International Conference on Knowledge and Politics in Gender and Women’s Studies, Middle East Technical University, Ankara, October 2015.

“Men’s Rites of Passage in Turkey: A Study of the Majority.” New Directions in Turkish Film Studies Conference XII: Cinema and Philosophy, Kadir Has University, Istanbul, May 2011.

“Feminist Movement in Turkey.” International Women’s Day Conference, Johns Hopkins University, Social Histories Community Group, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, March 2008.

“Women Workers in Turkey: World War II Period.” Contemporary Issues of Gender in Turkey Conference, Marmara University, Department of Political Science, Istanbul, February, 2005.

## **TEACHING**

### Instructor

*University of Art and Design Linz, Linz*  
Gender, Orientalism, and Colonialism (Spring 2021) (Online)

*Ankara University, Ankara (2016-2019)*  
Emotions: Politics, Labor, and Gender  
Gender and Politics  
Feminist Theory  
Research and Methods in Women’s Studies

*Yeditepe University, Istanbul (2011-2016)*

Introduction to Sociology

Identity

Evolution of Social Thought

Social Problems in Turkey

Gender & Society

*State University of New York at Binghamton, NY*

Social Problems (Spring 2008)

Political Sociology (Summer 2008)

Teaching Assistant:

*State University of New York at Binghamton, NY*

Qualitative Methods (Spring 2007)

Introduction to Sociology (Fall 2006)

**INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE**

Vice Chair, Women's Studies Center (KASAUM), Ankara University, Ankara, 2017- 2019.

Deputy Equality Opportunity Officer, Max Planck Institute for Human Development, Berlin, 2020 - 2022.

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Ad Hoc Reviewer for *Gender & Society, Gender, Work & Organization, International Feminist Journal of Politics, The Journal of Middle East Women's Studies, Women's Studies International Forum, New Global Studies, Fe Dergi, SBF Dergi,*

Editor-in-Chief *Mülkiye Dergisi* (2017 - 2021)

Editorial Board *International Journal of Critical Diversity Studies* (2018 - present)

Association Membership American Sociological Association, European Sociological Association.

**MEDIA APPEARANCES**

**2023** Feminism in the Global South: The Case of Turkey (Long Interview) Informe Oriente Medio (in Spanish and English) April, 2023.

**LANGUAGES**

Turkish (native fluency)

English (fluent)

German (Intermediate reading, speaking, and writing skills)